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PROTECTIVE COATING, AND A TRANSPORT SYSTEM

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This document was cited during the prosecution of the parent application (Serial No. 09/869,736) from which this application claims priority. Applicant's attorney respectfully requests that this reference be made of record in the above-identified application.

It is the Applicant's attorney's understanding that it is not necessary to provide a copy of this reference since the above application has a filing date later than June 30, 2003. A copy of said reference can, however, be provided upon request.

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